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Group Art Unit 3611

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT and
CONFIRMATION OF ELECTION TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an Office Action on the merits, please amend
the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1, Line 21, change "means" to ~~an~~ electric power
supply circuit--;

Line 23, before "from" insert --at least--;

Line 23, after "either" insert ~~the~~ electric power
generating device--;

Line 24, before "both" insert --from--; and

Line 24, delete "of".

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